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Mr. Michael G. Ritchie was selected to the Army's Senior Executive Service in July 2007. As Director, Command Interagency Engagement Group (formerly the Joint Interagency Coordination Group), he seeks to integrate efforts of all United States Government Agencies at the strategic, operational, and tactical levels consistent with the strategy for active security within the US European Command. Additionally, the Director advises the Commander and staff on objectives, support requirements, authorities, capabilities, and limitations of other United States Government agencies. These activities include participating and providing interagency perspective on operational planning teams, theater security cooperation, exercises, and contingencies.

CAREER CHRONOLOGY:

- * Jul 2003 - Jul 2007: Director, Department of Defense Homeland Defense Emergency Management Planning and Integration Office, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense, Washington, D.C.
- * August 2002 - Jun 2003: Department of Defense Fellow, Department of State Senior Seminar, Foreign Service Institute, Washington, D.C.
- * May 1998 - August 2002: Director, Department of Defense Humanitarian Assistance and Demining, OPD(P), Washington, D.C.
- * Jul 1993 - May 1998: Country Program Director, Latin America, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Washington, D.C.

COLLEGE:

- * MA, Spanish Language and Literature, Middlebury College, Middlebury VT, 1980 *
- BS, Concentration in the Humanities, United States Military Academy, West Point, NY, 1971

SIGNIFICANT TRAINING:

- * Center for Creative Leadership "Leadership at the Peak", June 2008 *
- Army General Officer and Senior Executive Course, December 2007 *
- Office of Personnel Management Senior Executive Seminar, September, 2007 *
- The Department of State Senior Seminar, Foreign Service Institute, 2002-2003
- * Federal Executive Institute, Leadership for a Democratic Society, 1997
- * National War College, Ft. Leslie J. McNair, Washington, DC - National Security Management sub-course *
- Inter-American Defense College, Fort Leslie J. McNair, Washington, DC, 1992-1993 *
- Overseas Course, Defense Institute for Security Assistance Management, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, OH *
- Command and General Staff College, United States Army School of the Americas, Fort Benning, GA, 1987 *
- Infantry Officer Basic Course, Airborne School, and the Infantry Mortar Platoon Course respectively, United States Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, GA, 1971 *
- Infantry Officer Advance Course, Fort Benning, GA, 1976

AWARDS AND HONORS:

* Secretary of Defense Exceptional Civilian Service Medal with Palm, 2007 * Department of Homeland Security Award for Public Service, 2005 * Secretary of Defense Exceptional Civilian Service Medal with Palm, 2002
* Department of Veterans Affairs, Certificate of Appreciation, 2002 * Department of State, Certificate of Appreciation, 1996 * Secretary of Defense Exceptional Civilian Service Medal, 1996 * Defense Superior Service Award * Defense Meritorious Service Medal (2nd award) * Meritorious Service Medal (3rd award) * Army Commendation Medal (3rd award) * Joint Service Achievement Medal * Army Achievement Medal * Expert Infantryman's Badge * Master Parachutist badge * Spanish Parachutist Wings